



THE **SEA** PAGES

THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN STUDENT EXPERIENCE



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ABOUT THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN PAGES

Welcome to The Southeast Asian Pages—otherwise known as The SEA Pages! This resource guide provides information about academic, cultural and community resources helpful to Southeast Asian-identified students deciding how to make UC Davis their home. For the purposes of this guide, Southeast Asian Americans are peoples in the United States whose heritage stems from countries in Southeast Asia, including ethnic minority groups. This guide also presents opportunities for students interested in getting involved on and off campus to make their college experience the best it can be. Enjoy!

WELCOME!



Whether you're a new student directly out of high school, a transfer student coming from another college or university or a returning student, welcome.

UC Davis represents a community of individuals seeking to learn and transform the world. For the Southeast Asian American community, education can be a form of empowerment that offers us the knowledge and skills we need to better our lives, the lives of our families and the lives of those in our community. My experience both in and outside of the classroom has been

transformative, and I encourage you to take advantage of all the opportunities available to you during your time at UC Davis.

The Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) and Southeast Asian (SEA) communities at UC Davis hold a number of opportunities and rewarding experiences. Whether that means joining a student organization—such as Vietnamese Student Association (VSA), Hmong Student Union (HSU) or the Cambodian Lao Lu-Mien Coalition (CLIC), among others—or getting involved with events hosted by a student life center—such as SEA Retreat or Asian Pacific Culture Night—there's a place for you to connect and share experiences and journeys with other students.

I hope you use this guide to help you find a community that will support you, empower you and allow you to be your most authentic self. College can be a defining experience that extends beyond the classroom and cultivates growth in numerous ways. You will be challenged, and you may discover things about yourself you never could have anticipated. I encourage you to embrace the challenges that come your way and seek out new and unfamiliar experiences. There may be moments of doubt and moments where you may not be sure that you belong, but trust that you do. You belong here.

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The Department of Asian American Studies (ASA) welcomes you! We are thrilled about this exciting and important publication and resource. The SEA community is a vital part of our department—as engaged students in our major and in our classes and as committed student leaders and members of student organizations across the UC Davis campus.

The experiences of Southeast Asian Americans are also central to the intellectual and political project of Asian American studies. The field of Asian American studies stresses

the sustained and critical study and analysis of power relations and social inequalities in U.S. society as well as globally. Southeast Asian American experiences critically engage with the multidisciplinary study of topics and issues related to race and ethnicity, gender and sexuality, nation-building, empire, imperialism, political participation, community formation and social movements. Our department's curriculum incorporates this vitality and relevance of Southeast Asian American experiences as we strive to provide students with comparative and relational understandings of the diversity and complexity of Asian American populations. We encourage you to explore our courses and major.

As a department, our faculty and staff seek to create an environment that promotes equitable educational opportunities and success for all students. Our curriculum and departmental activities foster our students to become active critical thinkers. We strive to empower our students to think and act differently about the world around us in order to open up possibilities for bringing about social change and transformation. Like *The SEA Pages*, ASA is here to help you maximize your college education and experience in the path toward becoming engaged and engaging members of society. In achieving this goal, we hope you take advantage of this impressive and valuable resource produced for you by your fellow students!

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STUDENT LIFE

Getting involved in student life at UC Davis is one of the best ways for students to enhance their college experience. With so many opportunities, like cultural student organizations, athletics and Greek life, you can explore your interests, connect with other students, engage in a wide variety of events and activities, and form lifelong friendships.



CULTURAL EVENTS

Asian Pacific Culture Week

facebook.com/DavisAPCW

Since 1973, Asian Pacific Culture Week (APCW) has provided the UC Davis campus with programs designed to educate and celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander identities. Traditionally a week featuring speakers, musicians, comedians, actors, authors, artists and civil rights activists from diverse corners of the Asian Pacific Islander Community, APCW has evolved to provide 2–3 student-initiated programs held throughout each academic quarter, culminating in the Asian Pacific Culture Night Market in May.

ASIAN PACIFIC CULTURE NIGHT MARKET

ccc.ucdavis.edu/night-market

The Asian Pacific Culture Night Market (APCNM) is an end-of-year event for students and the broader community. Since 2015, APCNM has featured a variety of vendors, arts, crafts, trinkets, food and performances from both students and professional groups. APCNM aims to destigmatize the monolithic identity within the Asian Pacific Islander community and highlight our diverse and ethnic backgrounds, all while providing a space for the API community to celebrate traditional and modern aspects of our cultures and resilience. We hope that you will come and enjoy Asian Pacific Islander Culture Night Market this year!

Hmong Health Conference

ucdhmonginhealth.wordpress.com

The Hmong Health Conference (HHC) is a free, two-day conference, held by the Hmong in Health organization at UC Davis. Our conference aims to provide academic and preparatory opportunities for high school and college Hmong students interested in health professions. To reach our goal, we invite health professionals and pre-health students from all over California to host interactive workshops at HHC. Through our conference, we

hope to raise awareness of the importance of diversity among the health care workforce and inspire future Hmong health care leaders.

Hmong Student Union College Experience Days

hsuorg.wordpress.com

During the three-day, three-night College Experience Days program, a high school student is paired with a Hmong UC Davis student to shadow an Aggie's daily activities, such as going to class, attending campus meetings, studying and shopping. In the evening, the students also participate in personal development workshops.

Hmong Student Union Culture Show

hsuorg.wordpress.com

During the 2014–15 academic year, Hmong Student Union established the new tradition of an annual culture show held toward the end of the school year. The event showcases the beauty of Hmong culture through a performance and fashion show. It shows the creativity and leadership of students at UC Davis and exhibits activities that HSU has to offer for the general public and UC Davis students.

Hmong Student Union Masquerade Ball

hsuorg.wordpress.com

The Masquerade Ball is an annual dance hosted by Hmong Student Union. This is one of their biggest fundraisers. Profits from this event are used to help support their two annual conferences.

Hmong Youth Empowerment Conference

hsuorg.wordpress.com

Hmong Youth Empowerment Conference is hosted by Hmong Student Union (HSU). Every year, HSU invites the general public and, in particular, youth to this conference for a closer look at college as a whole. The conference aims to educate families and students about the importance of higher education and cultural awareness.



Southeast Asian Graduation

Southeast Asian Graduation (SEA Grad) is an annual ceremony that commemorates the personal and academic achievements of the Southeast Asian community's graduating seniors at UC Davis. The purpose of the ceremony is to honor the experiences of Vietnamese, Hmong, Cambodian, Lu-Mien, Laotian, Sino-Vietnamese, additional Southeast Asian ethnic identities and allied graduates throughout their college careers. SEA Grad differs from UC Davis college commencements by offering a cultural, intimate, inclusive and personal space to celebrate the graduates and their successes.



Queer Asian Pacific Islander American Retreat

The Queer Asian Pacific Islander American Retreat (QAPIAR) is hosted by UC Davis students, alumni and community members. A three-day, two-night retreat, QAPIAR creates a closed, safe space for people who identify as both Asian/Pacific Islander and queer (APIQ), a marginalized and invisibilized identity. Through workshops, sharing personal narratives and open discourse, participants find a community that is supportive and accepting.

Southeast Asian Retreat

srrc.ucdavis.edu/programs/safe

The Southeast Asian (SEA) Retreat is a three-day, two-night retreat that unites and empowers Southeast Asian-identified students at UC Davis. SEA Retreat participants explore and own their identities and share their experiences in a safe space. The retreat also serves to strengthen the bonds within the SEA community.

Southeast Asian Youth Conference

srrc.ucdavis.edu/programs/safe

The Southeast Asian Youth Conference (SEAYC) is a three-day, two-night conference for Southeast Asian-identified middle school and high school students. SEAYC aims to empower youth to strive for higher education through workshops, activities, guest speakers and performers encompassing SEA history, culture, identity and leadership.

Thai American Student Association Lake Tahoe Retreat

Thai American Student Association's Lake Tahoe retreat is an annual two-day, one-night event where both undergraduate and graduate students bond and get to know one another through playing games and exchanging gifts.

Thai American Student Association UC Berkeley X UC Davis Meetup

facebook.com/groups/tasaucd

For about seven years, Thai Student Association (ThaiSA) from UC Berkeley and Thai American Student Association (TASA) from UC Davis have taken turns hosting an annual event to make new friends within the organizations and feel less homesick. Meetups include playing games and touring each other's campuses. TASA continues to support Berkeley's ThaiSA events and fundraising and has a strong connection with Thai students in Berkeley. This is a great opportunity for new students to experience an intercampus bond and join the TASA family!

Vietnamese Student Association Culture Show

facebook.com/vsaatucdavis

The Vietnamese Student Association Culture Show is an annual production in May. It showcases Vietnamese culture through acting, singing and dancing. Everyone is welcome to watch or partake in the show, while simultaneously learning about the Vietnamese culture.

Vietnamese Student Association Lunar New Year Celebration

facebook.com/vsaatucdavis

Every year, the Vietnamese Student Association (VSA) celebrates the Lunar New Year in one of the biggest events on campus. The day is marked with family gatherings and festivities. The celebration features food, activities and cultural shows involving VSA and other communities.





DAVID PHAM

Ethnicity:
Vietnamese

Fourth Year
Pronouns: He/Him/His*
Major: Cognitive Science; Minor: Coaching
Principles and Methods
From: Oakland, California

What experiences led you to UC Davis?

I am a first-generation Vietnamese American student, born and raised in Oakland, California. I come from an area where violence and drugs are prevalent, and higher education was not a common option for folks like me. I was humbled to be around mentors and community leaders who gave me guidance to pursue higher education. From navigating the community college system to transferring to a dope university like UC Davis, I would not have changed a thing.

* Pronouns are linguistic tools that we use to refer to people (i.e., they/them/theirs, she/her/hers, he/him/his). We believe that it is important to give people the opportunity to state the pronoun that is correct to use when referring to them.



JINIA LEE

Ethnicity:
lu-Mien

Third Year
Pronouns: She/Her/Hers
Majors: Sociology and Asian American Studies
From: San Pablo, California

Where have you found community at UC Davis?

I found my community through Southeast Asians Furthering Education (SAFE) and Cambodian Lao Lu-Mien Coalition (CLIC) here at UC Davis. Both of these organizations made me feel represented and allowed me to connect with others through the struggles that we face as Southeast Asians.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Asian American Association

aaaatucdavis.wixsite.com/home

The Asian American Association (AAA) serves to unify the Asian American and Pacific Islander community by promoting cultural understanding and self-awareness through political and social events. We aim to help members of AAA become more involved on campus, build their own networks and make new friends in the hope they'll go on and become stronger leaders within their communities. Members can join AAA regardless of gender, sexual orientation, ethnicity or religious affiliation.

Asian and Pacific Islander Queers

facebook.com/groups/APIQatUCD

Asian and Pacific-Islander Queers (APIQ) is a nonprofit student organization at UC Davis, founded in 1999. Our mission is to provide a safe space for those who identify as Asian or Pacific Islander (API) and queer where discussions related to race, gender and sexuality, community building and empowerment can take place. APIQ holds a variety of meetings and events throughout the school year such as socials and discussions. We also explore important topics like identity, coming out, health and politics through various workshops. At the same time, we encourage strong bonds and friendships. In fact, many members consider APIQ to be a second family. While our organization is dedicated to the API and queer community, we hope to enrich and educate all students in the UC Davis community who are interested in queer and Asian issues as well. Many of our meetings and events are open to the community, regardless of ethnicity, sexuality, gender identity or age.

Associated Students, University of California, Davis (ASUCD)

asucd.ucdavis.edu

Originally called the Associated Students of the University Farm, the Associated Students, University of California, Davis—or ASUCD—employs more than 1,500 students and is mostly student-governed. Since 1915, ASUCD has offered

students leadership opportunities in student advocacy, environmental activism, event planning, management, finance and more. Picnic Day, The Pantry, KDVS, the Coffee House, and the Bike Barn are just some of the units under the ASUCD umbrella.

Cambodian Lao lu-Mien Coalition

facebook.com/groups/clic.ucd

The Cambodian Lao lu-Mien Coalition (CLIC) aims to educate, unify and support one another in pursuing goals at UC Davis and beyond. Building relationships is key to a promising foundation of community and solidarity. Additionally, CLIC focuses on targeting the retention of students while promoting cultural awareness and higher education.

Hmong in Health

ucdhmonginhealth.wordpress.com

The purpose of Hmong in Health is to promote Hmong students to a career in health through pre-health conferences, workshops and interactions with health professionals. Our goal is also to develop an awareness of Hmong medicine and culture among UC Davis students and the local community. Additionally, we want to establish a network among Hmong pre-health students at UC Davis and to provide academic support for our students.

Hmong Student Union

hsuorg.wordpress.com

The Hmong Student Union (HSU) is a student-initiated and student-funded organization at UC Davis. Our mission is to promote higher education and cultural awareness within the Hmong community. HSU aims to retain, inspire and empower all current and prospective UC Davis students and throughout California by hosting community outreach projects. Through these projects, we provide social and academic support via teambuilding activities, educational discussions and group bonding.

Scholars Promoting Education Awareness and Knowledge

facebook.com/groups/117733368257924

We are a student-run organization whose focus is to support and empower undocumented students at UC Davis. We are constantly raising awareness on our campus and the surrounding community about the diverse struggles that undocumented students experience while completing their undergraduate studies.

Southeast and East Asian Muslim Student Union

The mission of Southeast and East Asian Muslim Student Union (SEAMSU) is to share the Southeast and East Asian Muslim culture with the community, educate the community about who we are and the history of Southeast and East Asian Muslims, be the voice of opinions and concerns that Southeast and East Asian Muslim students may have on campus, provide a space for Southeast and East Asian Muslim students to be comfortable in and to serve the Davis community. In accordance to the Qur'an and the life of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, SEAMSU also aims to spread the true message of Islam. This organization is open to members of all ethnicities, races and religions.

Southeast Asian Student Alliance

orgsync.com/106213/chapter

While we share similar historical backgrounds, the Southeast Asian community encompasses many different ethnicities and identities that are often divided by perceived cultural differences. By coming together, we will build a strong network of Southeast Asian students that will lead our community beyond the university—acknowledging our differences as well as our potential for unity. During the school year, we hold workshops and bonding activities for our members to get to know each other and build community to overcome our differences. Our workshops involve learning about the Southeast Asian or SEA identity, how to file for graduation, etc.

Thai American Student Association

facebook.com/groups/tasaucd

We are the Thai American Student Association at UC Davis. Our goal is to bring together the Thai people of Davis, and interact and connect with other Thai communities within the San Francisco Bay Area. We also have outreach events and volunteer activities at the Thai Temple in Sacramento where everyone can learn about Thai culture and identity.

Vietnamese Cancer Awareness, Research and Education Society

vncares.org

Vietnamese Cancer Awareness, Research and Education is a student-run clinic at UC Davis devoted to helping the medically underserved Sacramento and Stockton community. We provide free health care services such as breast, cervical, prostate, liver and colorectal cancer screenings.

Vietnamese Student Association

facebook.com/vsaatucdavis

Vietnamese Student Association (VSA) promotes Vietnamese culture on and around campus to those who are and are not of Vietnamese descent. We aim to provide a supportive and social environment for everyone with a common interest in the Vietnamese culture and heritage. VSA works toward these goals by conducting social and cultural events that promote Vietnamese culture and community. Further, we strive to aid the Vietnamese community locally and internationally through the awareness of social issues as well as numerous charity events, such as the annual Bike-A-Thon and culture shows. However, we can only do so with the participation of members like you!

VSA sets up small, yet oh-so-fun, social events such as White Elephant, Corn Maze, food night (yum yum), etc. Our two major events of the year are the Bike-A-Thon and Vietnamese Culture Show. The Bike-A-Thon is a full-day adventure in which participants from all over California bike from Davis to Sacramento and back. The Vietnamese Cultural Show is a night where we showcase Vietnamese culture through acting, singing and dancing, after months of preparation and bonding with some of the most interesting people on campus. Feel free to contact VSA anytime and/or come out to one of our events. See you soon!



**JENNY KHOEUT**

Ethnicity:
Cambodian

Third Year
Pronouns: She/Her/Hers or They/Them/Theirs
Majors: Sociology and Asian American Studies;
Minor: Psychology
From: Stockton, California

***What has been your most memorable
UC Davis experience?***

Attending the SEA Retreat in October 2016, which was hosted by Southeast Asians Furthering Education (SAFE), was the turning point in my college career. It allowed me to find my place at UC Davis. I found a community there, and I was able to find a home in many people I met. I have also learned so much about my Southeast Asian identity at UC Davis, and I am now proud to be Cambodian American.

**ANSON SAECHAO**

Ethnicity:
Iu-Mien and Hmong

Third Year
Pronouns: He/Him/His
Major: Linguistics; Minor: Spanish
From: Sacramento, California

What do you love most about UC Davis?

One of the most commonly loved things about UC Davis is the people, and I completely agree. The atmosphere is calm but still fun. In this quaint college town, the students, professors and everyone else are simply amazing. The community here is really giving and provides a lot of great resources. The UC Davis environment is wholesome, and I love the fact that I can be around other fantastic people.

GREEK LIFE

Office of Sorority and Fraternity Life

osfl.ucdavis.edu

The Office of Sorority and Fraternity Life (OSFL) fosters the development of students who affiliate with social, social-cultural, professional and service sororities and fraternities at UC Davis. Through educational programs, advising support, accountability and advocacy, OSFL promotes excellence from the sorority and fraternity life community that aligns with the mission of the Division of Student Affairs and ideals of the UC Davis Principles of Community. OSFL also serves as a liaison to alumni, parents and guardians, university faculty and staff and the city of Davis.

Asian Sorority and Fraternity Council

osfl.ucdavis.edu/about/governing-councils/asfc.html

The Asian Sorority and Fraternity Council (ASFC) serves as a conduit for all fraternal organizations that serve the Asian and Pacific Islander (API) community. The council leadership works closely with numerous campus departments and programs to promote API history and heritage while promoting community among the student body.

Alpha Kappa Delta Phi

davispanhellenic.org/alpha-kappa-delta-phi

Alpha Kappa Delta Phi is an international Asian-interest sorority with 48 chapters located at numerous universities across the United States and in Canada. Thousands of undergraduate and alumnae sisters support the rapidly growing network of strong and successful women in the organization. Alpha Kappa Delta Phi is part of the National APIA Panhellenic Association (NAPA), which it helped charter in 2006.

Chi Delta Theta

daviscdt.wixsite.com/chidelts

Chi Delta Theta is an Asian-American interest sorority based in California. The organization strives to promote sisterhood, community service, academics, cultural awareness and social activity in the lives of its members.

Delta Xi Phi

facebook.com/deltaxiphi.ucd

The Mu Associate Chapter of Delta Xi Phi Multicultural Sorority Inc. is a national multicultural sorority that embraces women from all ethnic, cultural, religious and socio-economic backgrounds. Defined by diversity, Delta Xi Phi is not only multicultural in membership but also in programming and has been since its inception. In addition, Delta Xi Phi is one of the founding members of the National Multicultural Greek Council (NMGC).

Lambda Sigma Gamma

facebook.com/lambdasigmagamma

Lambda Sigma Gamma Sorority Inc. is an academic, community, social and multicultural sorority—a solid network of women in higher education who are united in enhancing our college experiences.

Psi Chi Omega

osfl.ucdavis.edu/about/chapters/ASFC-chapter-pages/Psi-Chi-Omega.html

During the spring of 1995, a group of ambitious men at the University of California, Davis, assembled in the Memorial Union to discuss the possibilities of creating a new Asian American fraternity. Out of a long and arduous search sprung 11 strong-minded individuals who gained a renewed sense of awareness about themselves and what they were looking for in a fraternity. All the brothers agreed that the fundamental principle of a fraternity is the unity found in brotherhood. With this desire, Psi Chi Omega became the ideal fraternity whose traditions promote excellence through integrity, perseverance and eternal brotherhood. Its strong inter-chapter relationships further strengthen our

determination to become a part of Psi Chi Omega. Consequently, the brothers of Gamma colony accepted Psi Chi Omega's bid to establish a new fraternity at the University of California, Davis, on February 20, 1996, and it was made a chapter on January 24, 1997. As our fraternity perpetually grows, our underlying goals continue to be devotion to our chapters and an uncompromising commitment to brotherhood.

Sigma Omicron Pi

osfl.ucdavis.edu/about/chapters/ASFC-chapter-pages/Sigma-Omicron-Pi.html

We are a social sorority emphasizing unity, friendship, leadership and community service. We promote Asian American awareness and strive for academic excellence. Our goal is to make an impact on each others' lives by making our college experience memorable.

Zeta Sigma Chi

osfl.ucdavis.edu/about/chapters/USFC-chapter-pages/Zeta-Sigma-Chi.html

Zeta Sigma Chi Multicultural Sorority Inc. unifies women from diverse cultures for one common goal: success in education. The sorority is a national sisterhood that aspires to create true, lifelong friendships among women of diverse heritages while upholding the values of our eight founding mothers. Our principles are education, success, culture, service and sisterhood. As Radiant Ladies, we embrace diversity and invite all women to join and share their different cultures, families and backgrounds and grow with the support and backing of a true sisterhood.



Department of Asian American Studies

asa.ucdavis.edu

The Department of Asian American Studies at UC Davis offers an interdisciplinary major that examines the history and experience of Asian American groups in the United States. Those who major in Asian American studies gain an in-depth understanding of the historical, cultural, legal, political, social, psychological, class and gender contexts for Asian Americans. The major provides students the opportunity to develop skills necessary for post-graduate life and a variety of careers.

Home to an accomplished faculty, the Asian American Studies department offers engaging courses that inspire students to learn from history and understand and resolve the issues, past and present, that affect Asian Americans. The SEA community exists and flourishes with vital support from these faculty members.

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CAMPUS RESOURCES



While UC Davis offers a wide range of campus resources to students, the most dynamic resources are the community resource and retention centers, which are dedicated to supporting your needs and interests. At these centers, you can explore your passions and identities and find opportunities, like on-campus employment, internships, academic growth, social organizations, community service and more!



CAMPUS RESOURCES

AB540 and Undocumented Student Center

undocumented.ucdavis.edu

The AB540 and Undocumented Student Center was built on the foundation of educational equity and opportunity. Empowering students, their families and members of the community, we provide educational resources and build awareness of changing policies affecting California's undocumented population. We foster a holistic approach to recruitment and retention, with sensitivity to a student's mental, emotional and financial well-being. Staying true to our mission, we want to ensure our students' experiences on campus are not only positive, but also not limited or hindered due to immigration status.

Academic Advising Center

housing.ucdavis.edu/current/academic_advising_center.asp

Peer advisors and tutors in the Academic Advising Center provide convenient, personalized academic support for every residence hall student.

Asian Pacific American Theme House

housing.ucdavis.edu/education/communities

The Asian Pacific American Theme House (APATH) is a living-learning community for students who are interested in exploring Asian American cultures. Being in a living-learning community allows students to enjoy programs and activities related to a theme as well as traditional social and recreational opportunities. Living-learning communities are located in specific residence halls and floors. The location of each community changes each year; check with Student Housing and Dining Services for more information.

Campus Recreation

cru.ucdavis.edu

Campus Recreation provides fitness, wellness and recreation programs to the campus community through the operation and administration of a wide variety of programs, services and facilities. The department comprises more than 60 career staff and more than 800 student employees and volunteers, who invest their energy and creativity and inspire others to maintain balanced lifestyles through recreation and leisure activities.

INTRAMURAL SPORTS

cru.ucdavis.edu/content/77-intramural-sports.htm

Campus Recreation's Intramural Sports program provides students the opportunity to participate in a variety of competitive and recreational sport activities. Intramural Sports offers more than 27 different activities ranging from dodgeball to water polo.

SPORT CLUBS

cru.ucdavis.edu/content/79-sport-clubs-.htm

Campus Recreation's Sport Clubs program promotes student participation in a wide range of intercollegiate athletic competition. Each sport club is managed and run by the participants themselves. Sport club participants not only enjoy the rewards of athletic competition, but they also gain skills in collaboration, leadership, problem-solving and financial management.

Center for Student Involvement

csi.ucdavis.edu

The Center for Student Involvement (CSI) aims to enhance students' experiences at UC Davis by exposing them to co-curricular activities. We encourage engagement and involvement opportunities in leadership development, community service, cross-cultural competence and collaboration by providing helpful resources to student clubs and organizations. With more than 800 student organizations to explore, there's a place for everyone.

Cross Cultural Center

ccc.ucdavis.edu

The Cross Cultural Center (CCC) offers a culturally relevant community space where student voices can be expressed and respected. The CCC opened in 1992 as a direct result of a four-student hunger strike advocating for institutional change. Our work is guided by advocacy, cultural competency, community building, academic excellence through research and education, identity exploration and leadership development. We provide programs and services in support of our diverse campus population.

PEER EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT

ccc.ucdavis.edu/peace.html

Peer Education and Community Empowerment (PEACE) is a UC Davis student-to-student peer education program dedicated to understanding and dismantling racism, sexism, homophobia, ableism and other "isms" in order to promote a welcoming, respectful living and learning environment. PEACE offers UC Davis students, faculty and staff the opportunity to engage in meaningful and productive conversations about inequities and social justice.

Financial Aid and Scholarships

financialaid.ucdavis.edu

The Financial Aid and Scholarships Office works closely with students and families to make a UC Davis education an affordable reality. Financial Aid and Scholarships provides information about how to navigate the financial aid application process and awards scholarships, grants, work-study and loans to assist with the costs of a university education. More than 70 percent of UC Davis undergraduates benefit from financial assistance.

Immigration Law Clinic

law.ucdavis.edu/clinics/immigration.law-clinic.html

The UC Davis Immigration Law Clinic serves California's community of documented and undocumented immigrants, free of charge. UC Davis School of Law students staff the clinic, which provides confidential, in-depth consultations regarding immigration-related legal matters.

Internship and Career Center

icc.ucdavis.edu

The Internship and Career Center (ICC) is the one-stop location for students seeking internships, on-campus job opportunities and career guidance. We offer valuable services to students in various stages of their academic journeys—from incoming freshmen to graduating seniors. We can help students with finding an internship or job at one of several internship and career fairs, as well as provide career advice, resume writing and interview skills.

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Asexual Resource Center

lgbtqia.ucdavis.edu

The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Asexual Resource Center (LGBTQIA RC) helps to create a safe, inclusive space for the community at UC Davis. The center is committed to challenging sexism, transphobia, homophobia, biphobia and heterosexism. Our resources include counseling services, peer-to-peer networking, awareness events and ally training opportunities.

myUCDavis

students.my.ucdavis.edu

MyUCDavis is an internet portal where students can access information and resources ranging from academics such as student advising, scheduling classes and finding support to employee services, finances and even student life.

Student Academic Success Center

success.ucdavis.edu

The Student Academic Success Center (SASC) is a large, multi-program Student Affairs department providing essential services, programs and information for UC Davis students.

ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE AND TUTORING

success.ucdavis.edu/about/aat

Academic Assistance and Tutoring (AAT) provides academic support to undergraduate students enrolled in biology, chemistry, economics, mathematics, physics, statistics and Writing Across the Disciplines. Our instructional professional staff offers classes, workshops and office hours. AAT undergraduate tutors also provide drop-in tutoring for students enrolled in math and science courses and in Writing Across the Disciplines.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM

eop.ucdavis.edu

Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) offers an array of services to help students adapt both academically and socially to the university setting and successfully achieve their educational goals. EOP provides a caring and supportive environment for students to meet with peer and staff advisors and network with other students.

GUARDIAN SCHOLARS PROGRAM

success.ucdavis.edu/centers-and-programs/guardian-scholars

The mission of the Guardian Scholars Program is to empower foster youth at UC Davis to reach their potential by providing a community network that supports their academic progress and personal growth.



Support Services

AGGIE FOOD CONNECTION

afc.ucdavis.edu

CAL FRESH

uccalfresh.org

FRUIT & VEGGIE UP!

shcs.ucdavis.edu/services/nutrition.html

THE PANTRY

thepantry.ucdavis.edu

COMPUTER LOAN

financialaid.ucdavis.edu/undergraduate/forms/computers.html

WE ARE AGGIE PRIDE

weareaggiepride.ucdavis.edu

Campus Safety

With a campus as large as UC Davis, these campus safety resources ensure a protected and secure environment for all students and faculty.

AGGIE GUARDIAN

police.ucdavis.edu/aggie_guardian

CENTER FOR ADVOCACY RESOURCES AND EDUCATION (CARE)

care.ucdavis.edu

CLERY ACT

clery.ucdavis.edu/asr

FIRE DEPARTMENT

fire.ucdavis.edu

POLICE DEPARTMENT

police.ucdavis.edu

SAFE PARTY

safeparty.ucdavis.edu

SAFE RIDES

police.ucdavis.edu/divisions_services/campus_security/safe_rides.html

STUDENT WELLNESS AND SAFETY

ucdavis.edu/campus-life/wellness-safety

TIPSY TAXI

tipsytaxi.ucdavis.edu

PRE-GRADUATE/PRE-PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

success.ucdavis.edu/services/pre-grad-prof

Pre-Professional/Pre-Graduate School Advising offers individualized advice and information to students interested in admission to professional and graduate schools (law, master's and Ph.D. programs, etc.). In addition, the program offers small group advising and informative workshops and hosts visits from admissions officers from various professional schools.

STUDY SKILLS ASSISTANCE

success.ucdavis.edu/services/study-skills

Advising and workshops are offered to help students strengthen skills that have significant impact on college achievement and academic success. Students may attend a scheduled workshop or meet with an advisor to get help with time management, test preparation, success strategies, note taking and other study skills.

TRANSFER AND REENTRY CENTER

trc.ucdavis.edu

If you transferred to UC Davis or are a reentry student, the Transfer Reentry Center is here to serve you. Reentry refers to undergraduate students who are 25 or older, graduate students who are 30 or older, married students or student parents.

VETERANS SUCCESS CENTER

vsc.ucdavis.edu

The Veterans Success Center provides students a welcoming space, professional and peer advising, guidance with educational benefits and engagement opportunities that span the university and the larger Davis community.

Office of Student Support and Judicial Affairs

ossja.ucdavis.edu

The Office of Student Support and Judicial Affairs (OSSJA) supports the university's educational mission by upholding standards of academic honesty and responsible behavior, promoting student development and by assisting students in need. Our

programs and functions include: administering the student disciplinary system; upholding student rights, responding to student grievances and facilitating conflict management and mediation services; developing, publishing and distributing educational materials and programs; reviewing and developing student-related policies; and helping to coordinate responses to student-related emergencies.

Office of the University Registrar

registrar.ucdavis.edu

The Office of the University Registrar is a hub for permanent student records and academic information. We are committed to maintaining the accuracy and integrity of all student documents such as enrollment verifications, transcripts and degree certifications. Through the Office of the University Registrar, students can access course catalogs, register for classes, request their transcripts, withdraw from classes and file to graduate.

Online Advising Student Information System

oasis.ucdavis.edu

The Online Advising Student Information System (OASIS) is a central location for students to learn about important deadlines, submit and track forms and petitions, make advising appointments and fill out degree worksheets to help plan their coursework.

Student Disability Center

sdc.ucdavis.edu

The Student Disability Center (SDC) is committed to the coordination of specialized academic support services and promoting integrated participation in campus life for students with disabilities. Our talented, professional staff specialize in different areas of disability, including learning, vision, hearing, medical, psychological and mobility. Each disability specialist is assigned a caseload of students, determining their eligibility for academic accommodations and ensuring that provisional accommodations are made to allow students to participate in meaningful, educational opportunities on the UC Davis campus.

STUDY ABROAD

UC Davis Study Abroad

studyabroad.ucdavis.edu

Through academic coursework, internships and experiential learning, UC Davis Study Abroad provides every UC Davis student the opportunity to graduate with an international experience and an understanding of our diverse global community. We challenge our students to study, explore and engage with other cultures—to broaden their perspective and involvement in the world.

MATLAB: VISUALIZATION IN VIETNAM

Known as the “ascending dragon,” Vietnam is a robust and vibrant commercial hub and thriving travel destination in the heart of Southeast Asia. The people are warm, friendly and welcoming as you will learn firsthand in a program that teaches U.S. and Vietnamese students side by side. While learning how to solve engineering problems using computational and numerical methods, in MatLab you will have the opportunity to explore the dynamic and lively side streets of the Old Quarter of Hanoi, eat amazing food and see one of the most beautiful natural wonders of the world: Halong Bay, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

MICROBIOLOGY LAB IN THE KINGDOM OF SMILES

This laboratory program introduces microbiology to students wishing to explore the Kingdom of Thailand. Hands-on activities complement lecture, laboratory exercises and exploration of the microbiology of Thai food, international health issues and the changing environment. Students will explore microbial diversity from samples they obtain from open-air night markets, urban canals and pristine jungles and beaches.



Student Health and Counseling Services

shcs.ucdavis.edu

Established in 1909, Student Health and Counseling Services (SHCS) provides a wide variety of medical, mental health and wellness services to registered UC Davis students, regardless of insurance coverage. We provide most services through scheduled appointments; however, urgent care is also available for acute medical and mental health needs. Our mission is to enhance the physical and mental health of students in order to help them achieve academic success, personal development and lifelong wellness. We provide an integrated program of quality, accessible, cost-sensitive and confidential health care services tailored to students' unique and diverse needs.

COMMUNITY ADVISING NETWORK

shcs.ucdavis.edu/services/can.html

The Community Advising Network (CAN) community counselors are a diverse group of professional staff who understand student issues and are here to help. CAN assists all students, especially those from underserved populations, to achieve their goals and address factors that may be affecting their academic success. CAN community counselors provide students with free and anonymous consultation and personal counseling in addition to programs, workshops and other campus-community outreach activities. (CAN counselors do not provide academic advising.)

Student Recruitment and Retention Center

srrc.ucdavis.edu

The Student Recruitment and Retention Center (SRRC) offers student-run and student-initiated programs that foster holistic academic and personal development, and raise political and cultural awareness. We aim to empower students to

act as dynamic leaders in their communities. SRRC programs include peer mentoring, academic/study support, leadership development, transfer student support, community building, self-awareness, K–12 enrichment, transfer outreach/support and funding for services and activities complementary to the SRRC's mission.

SOUTHEAST ASIANS FURTHERING EDUCATION

srrc.ucdavis.edu/programs/safe

Southeast Asians Furthering Education (SAFE) is one of the seven community programs at the Student Recruitment and Retention Center at UC Davis. We are a department run by students, for students. SAFE's resources and services are targeted toward students who identify as Southeast Asian (SEA) and Southeast Asian American (SEAA). Our programs center hxstories and experiences tied to the Vietnam War, Khmer Rouge, Secret War and Pathet Lao. We also address contemporary issues relevant to the SEA(A) community such as data disaggregation and limited access to resources.

COLLECTIVE: TRANSFER AND NONTRADITIONAL STUDENT EMPOWERMENT

srrc.ucdavis.edu/programs/collective

Collective is a student-run, student-initiated program that aims to recruit and retain nontraditional students. "Nontraditional" is an umbrella term for transfer, reentry, parents, veterans and all other students who have not experienced entering and graduating from a four-year university immediately after high school as a full-time student. Collective provides workshops, mentorship programs and connections to on- and off-campus opportunities to inform and empower our community.

Undergraduate Research Center

urc.ucdavis.edu

The Undergraduate Research Center (URC) facilitates research opportunities for UC Davis undergraduates in every major and at all class levels, including the Undergraduate Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities Conference.

MCNAIR SCHOLARS PROGRAM

urc.ucdavis.edu/programs/mcnair.html

The McNair Scholars Program is designed to encourage students from groups often underrepresented in graduate programs to pursue doctoral degrees. Eighteen to 20 UC Davis undergraduates and incoming transfer students are selected each year to participate in academic-year and summer activities.

Women's Resources and Research Center

wrrc.ucdavis.edu

The Women's Resources and Research Center (WRRC) was formed in 1971, initially providing referral services, literature, peer counseling and support groups to women in the campus community. Today, our goal is to provide a place for students to learn about resources and educational programs that focus on gender equity and social justice. We empower students by providing opportunities to make UC Davis a more inclusive environment for everyone—specifically women, transgender and gender-expansive individuals.

**GEORGE YANG**

Ethnicity:
Hmong

Fifth Year
Pronouns: He/Him/His
Major: Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
From: Fresno, California

What made you decide to come to UC Davis?

I wanted to become a physician to serve the underserved Hmong population, and I heard that UC Davis is great at helping their pre-med students.

What do you love most about UC Davis?

I love the community and how safe it is here in Davis. I also love the organizations on campus that help support the community, such as the Hmong Lifting Underserved Barriers student-run clinic, Hmong in Health, Hmong Student Union and many others.

**LUANA XIONG**

Ethnicity:
Hmong

Fourth Year
Pronouns: She/Her/Hers or They/Them/Theirs
Majors: Political Science and Gender,
Sexuality and Women's Studies
From: Merced, California

What advice would you give incoming students?

Don't put too much pressure on yourself. The circumstances that we grew up in, and surrounded ourselves in, will always motivate us to strive for success and perfection. But the pressures of trying to achieve this success can take a toll on you. Your dream of becoming a doctor, or one day buying your parents a house, will not be easy. In fact, those dreams and goals may change, and that's okay. Accepting your failures and mistakes and being at peace with them is how you can move on from the setbacks and keep climbing.

THINGS TO DO

When you need to take a break from all that studying, there is plenty to do on campus, in the city of Davis and even farther! Wandering the arboretum, shopping at the Davis Farmers Market on Saturday mornings and visiting the Jan Shrem and Maria Manetti Shrem Museum of Art barely brush the surface of all the things you can explore during your time here at Davis.



ON CAMPUS

Explore the UC Davis Arboretum

arboretum.ucdavis.edu

The UC Davis Arboretum has over 100 acres of beautiful gardens for active recreation or peaceful contemplation. There are documented plant collections, exhibits and demonstration plantings where visitors can learn about sustainable gardening for the Central Valley.

Attend an event at the Robert and Margrit Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts

mondavicenter.ucdavis.edu

The Robert and Margrit Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts hosts musical concerts, dance performances, plays and lectures, many featuring world-renowned artists. All UC Davis freshmen and new transfer students are allowed one free ticket to any event during the current season, plus 50 percent off select events.

Get active at the ARC

cru.ucdavis.edu

The Activities and Recreation Center (ARC) is the campus recreational facility and is referred to as the ARC by students. It holds tons of high quality workout equipment, an indoor track, rock climbing wall and courts for basketball and volleyball. There are also opportunities to participate in dance, martial arts and personal training classes!

INTRAMURAL SPORTS

Campus Recreation's Intramural Sports program provides students, faculty, staff and alumni the opportunity to participate in more than 27 (men's, women's and coed) competitive and recreational sport activities.

Celebrate Picnic Day

picnicday.ucdavis.edu

Picnic Day celebrates students' diversity and a healthy campus climate with over 200 exhibits and marquee events, such as the Doxie Derby and the Chemistry Magic Show.

Check out the sporting events

ucdavisaggies.com

Be part of Aggie Pack, the largest student spirit organization in the country. Aggie Pack cheers on all of the UC Davis NCAA Division I sport teams, and it's a great way to meet new people.

Meet friends at The BUZZ

thebuzz.ucdavis.edu

The BUZZ is a fun, annual Fall Welcome event that takes place in the evening on the Quad. This event is packed with activities, entertainment and information booths to help students learn more about the participating campus departments. A few of the activities include inflatable games, euro bungee, dance battles and much more.

Explore campus museums

C.N. GORMAN MUSEUM

gormanmuseum.ucdavis.edu

The C.N. Gorman Museum is dedicated to the creative expressions of Native American artists and artists of diverse cultures and histories.

JAN SHREM AND MARIA MANETTI SHREM MUSEUM OF ART

shremmuseum.ucdavis.edu

Grounded in the legacy of UC Davis' world-renowned, first-generation art faculty, the Jan Shrem and Maria Manetti Shrem Museum of Art is dedicated to impactful education. The museum serves as a hub of creative practice for today's thinkers, makers and innovators, now and for generations to come.

OFF CAMPUS

Davis Farmers Market

davisfarmersmarket.org

There's a reason the Davis Farmers Market is an Aggie tradition and a must-do for anyone spending time in Davis. Bike over to Central Park on Saturday mornings to hear local music groups, buy fresh produce and enjoy one of the most popular weekly events in town.

Downtown Davis

davisdowntown.com

Downtown Davis has a number of restaurants, shops and movie theaters and isn't too far from campus. Take a stroll through downtown in the evening, and you may even find yourself enjoying live performances by bands or street performances by fellow residents.

Davis Greenbelt

localwiki.org/davis/the_greenbelt

The Davis Greenbelt consists of over 60 miles of bike paths, parks and places to run, spread across all of Davis. The Davis Bike Map is available online and in print around town. Don't forget to bring one to use as a reference!

Davis Transmedia Art Walk Tours

davisartwalk.com

Davis has been home to some of the nation's most distinguished artists. With a printed copy of the Davis Transmedia Art Walk map, you can tour the art displayed downtown at your own pace or schedule an artist- or curator-led tour, available on the weekends.

OFF CAMPUS (continued)

Eat and Hangout

3rd & U Café

223 3rd St.
3rdanducafe.com

Ali Baba 220 3rd St.
davisalibaba.weebly.com

Blaze Pizza 212 F St.
blazepizza.com

Burgers & Brew
403 3rd St.
burgersbrew.com

CREAM
110 F St.
creamnation.com

Crepeville
330 3rd St.

Delta of Venus
122 B St.
deltaofvenus.org

Dot Island Grill
516 2nd St.
dotislandgrilldavis.com

Dumpling House
129 E St.

Dutch Bros. Coffee
980 Olive Dr.
dutchbros.com

Fluffy Donuts and Sandwich Shop
757 Russell Blvd., #2

Four Seasons
1601 Research Park Dr.

Fuji Sushi Boat and Buffet
213 G St.
fujisushiboat.com

Gong Cha
1411 W. Covell Blvd.
gong-cha-usa.com

Icecrimski Cafe
618 2nd St.
icekrimskicafe.com

KetMoRee
238 G St.
ketmoree.com

Lazi Cow
407 G St., #4
facebook.com/lazicowatdavis

Let Them Eat Cake
310 C St.
letthemeat-davis.com

MandRo Teahouse
1260 Lake Blvd.

Nami Sushi
2880 5th St., #105

Ohana Hawaiian BBQ
825 Russell Blvd.

Open Rice Kitchen
204 G St.

Paesanos
139 G St.
paesanos.biz/davis

Pho King 4
226 3rd St.
phoking4.com

Pluto's Fresh Food
500 1st St.
plutosfreshfood.com

Raja's Tandoor
207 3rd St.
rajastandoor.com

Ramen Hook
825 Russell Blvd.

Red 88 Noodle Bar
223 G St.
red88noodlebar.com

Sam's Mediterranean Cuisine
301 B St.

ShareTea
207 3 St.
facebook.com/shareteadavis

Sweet and Shavery
210 E St.
facebook.com/SweetandShavery

Taqueria El Burrito
223 F St.
elburritotaqueria.com

Tasty Kitchen
335 F St.

Teabo Cafe
2191 Cowell Blvd.
teabocafe.com

Temple Coffee
239 G St.
templecoffee.com

Thai Canteen
117 E St.
canteendavis.com

Tommy J's
726 2nd St.
facebook.com/tommyjsdavis

Yoloberry Yogurt
316 C St.
yoloberryyogurt.com

Shop

Armadillo Music
207 F St.
armadillomusic.com

Bath & Body Works
500 1st St.
bathandbodyworks.com

Bizarro World
223 E St.
bizarroworld.net

Boheme Used Clothing & Goods
409 3rd St.
bohemethreads.com

Cost Plus World Market
871 Russell Blvd.
worldmarket.com

Death or Glory Tattoo and Body Piercing
219 E St., Suite D
deathorglorydavis.com

Forever 21
875 Russell Blvd.
forever21.com

GAP
871 Russell Blvd.
gap.com

Goodwill
1640 E. 8th St.
goodwillsacto.org

Haute Again
129 E St., Suite B4
facebook.com/HauteAgainClothing

Kim's Asian Market
628 4th St.

Newsbeat
514 3rd St.
thenewsbeat.com

Target
4601 2nd St.
target.com

Tibet Nepal
233 F St.

TJ Maxx
4651 2nd St.
tjmaxx.tjx.com

Urban Body Tattoo and Piercing
802 2nd St.
urban-body.com

The Wardrobe
206 E St.
thewardrobe.com

Watermelon Music
970 Lake Blvd., #1
watermelonmusic.com

Yolo County SPCA Thrift Store
920 3rd St.
yolospca.org

Watch
Davis Varsity Theater
616 2nd St.
davisvarsity.net

Regal Cinemas Holiday 6
101 F St.

Regal Cinemas Stadium 5
420 G St.

Browse
The Artery
207 G St.
theartery.net

Hattie Weber Museum
445 C St.
dcn.davis.ca.us/~hattieweber

John Natsoulas Center for the Arts
521 1st St.
natsoulas.com

Pence Art Gallery
212 D St.
pencegallery.org

U.S. Bicycling Hall of Fame
303 3rd St.
usbhof.org

Do

Bikram Yoga
1505 5th St.
bikramdavis.com

Davis Paintball Center
24998 County Rd. 102
davispaintball.com

Rocknasium
720 Olive Dr., Suite S
rocknasium.com

Visit

Sacramento
(25 minutes away)
visitsacramento.com

Lake Berryessa
(30 minutes away)
visitvacaville.com/davisvarsity.net/directory/lake-berryessa

Berkeley
(1 hour away)
visitberkeley.com

San Francisco
(1.5 hours away)
sftravel.com

Lake Tahoe
(2.5 hours away)
visitinglaketahoe.com

Yosemite
(3 hours away)
nps.gov/yose/planyourvisit

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Student Editorial Team

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Students from the UC Davis community resource and retention centers participated in the student editorial team. As members of this team, they provided guidance for content development, editing, design, photos and student profiles. With their contributions this guide is reflective of the Southeast Asian community and student voice.

The background is a vibrant blue-to-teal gradient. It is decorated with large, stylized green and blue swirls in the corners and along the edges. In the center, there are smaller, fainter geometric patterns, including concentric squares and circles, in a lighter blue shade.

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